



World Youth Day, 2023

Ukrainian Youth Pilgrimage

Join a million young people from around the world this summer for World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal!

Important Information:

What is World Youth Day? (WYD): See the official website: www.lisboa2023.org.

Who can join? Teens ages 16-19 currently living in Krakow¹

What to expect: Not only are we going to participate in the WYD events in Lisbon, but we're staying later to go on a 3-day pilgrimage to Fatima to encounter the witness of the shepherd children and the message of Our Lady of Fatima, so relevant for today.

Pilgrimage Dates: August 1- 9th, 2023. This includes World Youth Day + Fatima Pilgrimage.

Cost: Actual cost is 4,000 PLN. However, generous donors are willing to cover most of the cost for eager teens willing to fundraise 450 PLN.

What is included in the cost? Roundtrip airfare from Krakow to Lisbon, WYD registration, ground transportation in Portugal, food and pilgrim accommodations for the entire WYD and Fatima pilgrimage, and group t-shirts.

- **Can I just pay the 4000 PLN or the 450 PLN instead of fundraising it?** No. Every teen who joins the group must be willing to put some work in to earn the opportunity. Fundraising events are necessary.

How will we fundraise? One way is to participate as a junior leader in our English Immersion Summer Camp in July. Click [HERE](#) for information. Other ways to fundraise will be decided by the group. Bring your ideas. For example, selling baked goods after a crowded Mass, or offering to wash cars at a busy location. Whatever we do, we'll do it together, and you'll be surprised how quickly we can be successful!

¹ Children of other nationalities are welcome to join.

What preparation is needed? Because WYD is such a unique and incredible opportunity, it's important to prepare well. Once the group is selected, we'll be meeting once a month for fellowship, formation, prayer and fundraising preparation at the JP2 Center in Krakow, Poland until we're off to Lisbon!

What is the deadline to apply? All applications must be submitted by March 18, 2023.

How can I secure my spot once accepted? You will be sent further information on how to confirm your acceptance, and you must attend the first preparatory meeting.

What are the goals for this pilgrimage?

- To foster an encounter with Jesus that leads to the deepening of your faith
- To inspire faith, hope, love and the joy necessary to live out Christian values so that you can return home ready and equipped to shape your culture post-war
- To cultivate friendships that provide strength and encouragement in the midst of struggles.